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Applicant: Sriram R. Vangal et al.

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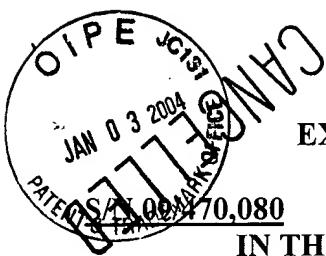
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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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These comments are in response to the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance in the Notice of Allowance mailed on September 30, 2004.

The Examiner states that the prior art of record fails to teach "a method for driver selection comprising: determining the distance between the current location and the destination location comprises determining a logical subtraction of the destination location bits and the hard-wired identification location bits." Applicants respectfully submit that these recited elements are included in claim 4 (renumbered claim 1) and its dependent claim.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claim language of each of the remaining claims, including claims 6-7, 13-14, 20, 26, and 27 (renumbered claims 3-20), does not recite: "a method for driver selection comprising: determining the distance between the current location and the destination location comprises determining a logical subtraction of the destination location bits and the hard-wired identification location bits."

Conclusion

The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' attorney, Lucinda Price (located in Gainesville, Florida), at (352) 373-8804, or Applicants' below-named representative (located in Minneapolis, Minnesota), if prosecution will be assisted thereby.

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Respectfully submitted,

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